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Election results accepted

Second year of using online ballots produces problems, results stand

By **Ashley Rueff**
Senior University Reporter

After holding a special meeting Tuesday, the Faculty Senate decided to accept last week's faculty election results despite complications with the electronic election process.

Voting originally took place 8 a.m. Wednesday through 5 p.m. Thursday. That time was extended to 5 p.m. Friday to ensure everyone had a chance to vote after some encountered problems loading the voting module.

Internet Technology Services was able to use the same portal software used in last year's election during the extended voting time to allow faculty who encountered problems a chance to vote.

"(The number of votes) was substantially less than last year, but it was still slightly higher than in the year we used paper elections," said Jeff Ashley, vice chair of the senate and head of the faculty elections committee.

Paper elections were used two years ago before the electronic elections were introduced last year. Nearly 200 people voted this year, about 100 less than last year.

"Without the glitches, we probably would have been closer to last year's numbers," Ashley said.

Despite the problems, the senate decided to continue using electronic elections.

"We have to show some confidence that it will be corrected (for future elections)," said Assege HaileMariam, chair of the senate. "We need to give it a chance."

Ashley agreed that considering the greater convenience of electronic voting and the increased number of votes last year, elections should continue to be done electronically.

The senate agreed to accept the votes received in the elections despite the complications because the faculty were given additional time to place their votes.

"In general, we were just concerned that steps had been taken that the vote could be certified, that people weren't disenfranchised and that the votes would be fair," Ashley said.

The senate passed a motion stating, "While acknowledging and regretting unforeseen problems in the conduct of the recent faculty



JAY GRABIEC | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

David Anderson, a sophomore computer information systems major, listens to Yahoo! music videos at the Glass Computer Lab in Booth Library on Tuesday afternoon.

Ruckus comes to Eastern

New music-sharing program available to on-campus residents

Staff Report

The new online music server for on-campus residents is ready for use.

Ruckus is a music server that has more than 2.5 million songs available for download.

It will also have free movies

HOW TO GET RUCKUS

» Ruckus is available to on-campus residents at: www.ruckus.com

available at the beginning of the summer, said Peter Opere, a Ruckus account executive. Right now, the program has more than 4,500 movies and TV shows available for \$15 per semester.

Students can access songs and download them on to their computers for free if they live on

MARK HUDSON | HOUSING DIRECTOR

"So far, every song or group anyone has wanted is there."

campus.

Students can join by going to www.ruckus.com and downloading the player, which recognizes the on-campus addresses and routes the student to the on-campus server.

An EIU e-mail address is also needed to join.

The free songs cannot be put onto iPods, mp3 players or burned to a CD. The songs come as a Windows media file with digital rights management protection.

If a student wants to use a

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CAMPUS | STUDENT SENATE

Student fee increases to be proposed

Rising healthcare costs cited in possible raise of Health Service fee, Insurance fee

By **Matt Hopf**
Student Government Reporter

An \$8 increase in the Health Service fee and an \$8 increase in the Student Insurance fee will be introduced to Student Senate tonight.

The Health Service increase is necessary because of the rise in health care costs nationwide, said

Lynette Drake, EIU Health Service medical director.

The proposed increase for the Health Service fee would also include a provision that would lower the cap of students who have to pay the whole fee from 12 to nine credit hours.

Right now, if a student is enrolled in less than 12 credit hours, they are not required to pay the entire Health Service fee of \$82.90 per semester. Instead, they are charged a fee based on a rate that matches the 12-semester hour, flat-fee rate of about \$6.91 per credit hour.

Drake said students who enroll in nine credit hours use Health

2006-2007 FEES

- » **Health Service Fee:** \$82.90
- » **Student Insurance Fee:** \$101.95
- » **Textbook Rental Fee:** \$7.95 per credit hour

Student Senate meets at 7 p.m. in the Arcola-Tuscola Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

2007-2008 PROPOSED FEES

- » **Health Service Fee:** \$90.90
- » **Student Insurance Fee:** \$109.95
- » **Textbook Rental Fee:** \$8.95 per credit hour

Service just as much as those who enroll in 12 credit hours.

The increase would charge students \$10.10 per credit hour if they are enrolled in less than nine credit hours.

Health Service has also been in debt for four years, she said.

Drake said the debt is at \$189,000, but without a fee increase it will rise to \$435,000 next year.

She said with the fee increase, Health Service will be \$106,000 in debt at the end of next year.

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RISKING HIS LIFE

Award-winning documentary, "Inside Iraq: The Untold Stories," shown tonight by imbedded journalist

By Ann Beauchane
Staff Reporter

Mike Shiley risked his life every day so he could show people a side of Iraq that is rarely seen.

Shiley is the director and cinematographer of "Inside Iraq," one of multiple films he has produced for his documentary video production company, Shidog Films.

Shiley, a filmmaker, photographer and freelance journalist, will present and discuss his film, "Inside Iraq: The Untold Stories."

He will show his 94-minute documentary at 7 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Following his lecture, there will be a question-and-answer session where Shiley will also tell his stories in an open forum.

Shiley's story of creating "Inside Iraq" began in 2003.

By that time, he had lived in the Middle East for a year, could speak Arabic and was already familiar with the culture.

Shiley said Americans do not know much about the people and the culture of the Middle East in general. Therefore, he made it his mission to raise awareness.

"It was something I had a strong desire to do," Shiley said.

He went to a Kinko's, logged on to ABC's Web site and created a homemade press pass to identify himself as a reporter.

Next, he rented a bulletproof vest from the Internet.

He then cashed in airline miles, met the Arabic ABC crew, who could not tell the difference between a real press pass and Shiley's, and rode with them to Baghdad.

While other news-crew members wanted to stay safe, Shiley chose to go out and travel unarmed with a guide.

The U.S. Military allowed him to be embedded in uniform and stay in barracks with the lowest-ranking troops.

"I actually became a soldier when I was over there," said Shiley, an Oregon native.

After the colonel awarded Shiley a combat medal for his work, Shiley told the truth about his identity.

He was expecting a negative reaction, but was given a second combat medal for bravery, instead.

When Shiley, 39, told ABC the truth, they were impressed with his courage rather than upset.

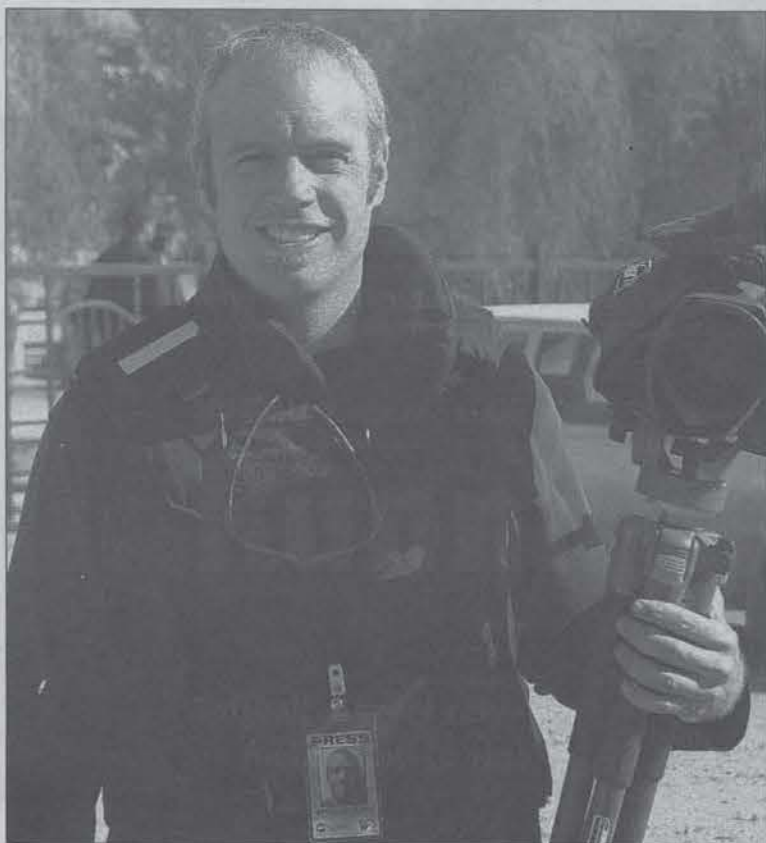
ABC then purchased a story from Iraq that Shiley produced.

"I was literally flying by the seat of my pants," Shiley said. "I had absolutely nothing planned out."

He did not have the money, resources or enough knowledge to plan anything.

"I was very welcomed by the Iraqi people," Shiley said. "They were kind to me, open-minded and open-hearted."

Shiley said people think Iraqis are a bunch of terrorists, and that



Mike Shiley director of "Inside Iraq: The Untold Stories, in Baghdad.

MIKE SHILEY | DIRECTOR

"It's very bizarre how scary it is over there. They are as much victims of what's going on as there as we are."

is not the case. Most Iraqis are good people wanting a better life for themselves, he said.

"It is very bizarre how scary it is over there," Shiley said. "They are as much victims of what's going on there as we are."

Every day they live with a fear of leaving their homes and not knowing whether they are going to make it back alive.

"I absolutely risked my life every single moment of every single day," Shiley said.

The Iraqi people are very similar to us and they want the same things we want, Shiley said.

For us to be successful, he said, we need to do more to help them.

Shiley said his discussion will look at resolutions to the problems in Iraq.

"I'm not just going to criticize and complain, but put forth some solutions of how we can resolve this thing peacefully and successfully," Shiley said.

Many film reviews mention the unbiased quality, which is a large part of why, in the past four years, "Inside Iraq" has won four best documentary awards, been to 15 film festivals, has been shown in seven countries, and Shiley has personally shown it 400 times.

"We saw him when he showcased at the NACA (National Association for Campus Activities) conference in Peoria and it was a good show," said Kendall Patterson, University Board lectures coordinator. "We hope many students will attend."

Patterson said it is good to see beyond what we are shown by the media every day. We get to see an insider's look and behind-the-scenes footage.

Thomas Schroyer, who has composed the soundtracks for most of Shiley's films, said he is entertaining and a good speaker.

Schroyer also said audiences should be impressed by the fact that Shiley went to Iraq alone and is now promoting his documentary independently rather than depending on other people or film festivals.

"He took the marketing concept and did it by himself," Schroyer said.

Shiley is only releasing this film to college campuses. He has received offers to release "Inside Iraq" to theatres, but he wants to show it to the generation who is fighting this war and who is going to have to pay for it.

Shiley said he believes this is a big problem and that college students can stop it, which is why he goes directly to them.

It might be inspirational for people in film, music and other arts, and it contains valuable footage as well, Schroyer said.

"I try to educate, inform and inspire," Shiley said.

He also likes to give career advice to students who want to go beyond expectations and make a difference in the world.

For those who would like more information or who cannot attend the screening and would like a DVD of the film, Shiley encourages them to visit his Web site at www.insideiraqthemovie.com.

DVDs will also be available for purchase at the show and Shiley will autograph them.

In addition, a Facebook group of his can be found with more information, photographs and activities about "Inside Iraq."

"I invite people of all political viewpoints to come view the show," Shiley said. "I want people of all walks of life to see it. There is something for everyone."

The screening is free and open to the public.

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Atlanta guitarist plays last Open Mic Night until finals

» Open Mic Night will feature Chris Cauley at 7 tonight in 7th St. Underground.

The Atlanta-born guitarist plays at colleges across the country.

He released his debut album "Fish out of Water" on Red Drum Records.

University Board sponsors the event and it will be the final Open Mic Night before the Open Mic finals April 12.

Expo at Union to offer several seminars for transfer students

» The Transfer Relations Office will host a Transfer Student Expo from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The event will begin with tips for adult and continuing students in the Arcola Room and a seminar on overcoming emotional obstacles in the Effingham Room.

Other scheduled seminars include help with getting involved in school functions and making your career choice count.

The transfer student talk will be held in the Effingham Room at 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

For more information, call the Transfer Relations office at 581-2120.

— Marco Santana, Campus Editor

University Board now accepting applications for next fall

» The University Board is now accepting applications to fill next semester's positions.

UB consists of many specific committees, each responsible for a particular category of entertainment.

Four positions are currently available including concert elect, movie, comedy and productions coordinator.

Applications are available in the Student Activity Center located on the second floor of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

UB members plan to hold interviews during the next three weeks.

For more information, call the UB office at 581-5117 or visit www.eiu.edu/~uboard.

— Beth Hackett, Senior Activities Reporter

ourmistakes

» Marlise Davidson's name was misspelled on Page 10 of Tuesday's edition of the *Daily Eastern News*.

Information in the story about bar hour extension on Page 3 of Tuesday's edition of the *Daily Eastern News* was misattributed.

Tom Noble, manager of H&H shuttle bus, said the increase of \$.75 to \$1.50 per student would pay for an additional shuttle bus.

The DEN regrets the errors.

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CAMPUS | FIGHTING AIDS



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Freshmen Sean McNulty and Amanda Priebe listen as Lauren Smith, professor and chairperson of the Women's Studies department at University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, speaks to students about HIV/AIDS Tuesday afternoon at Tarble Arts Center.

AIDS in Africa hits close to home

Students gather to hear about meeting disease face-to-face

Tearria Ruffin
Campus Reporter

The man could barely speak after he learned he had lost seven of his family members back home.

His home is a tiny village in Burkina Faso. Before the events, he was once a storyteller who told stories of his boyhood in Africa's Sahel region.

Now his voice is mute and there aren't stories of joy. All that can be heard from that night is the voice of his daughter weeping for the grandmother she never knew.

"Mama, I want my grandma. I want to see my grandma," said the child.

Seeing her family in distress encouraged the wife to take action.

She decided to travel halfway around the world and meet the HIV virus face to face.

"So I did the one thing I can think of, besides

sending more money," said Lauren Smith, author and professor of women's studies at University of Wisconsin-Whitewater in her essay, "The Widows' Tale."

After taking four trips to Burkina Faso, Smith compiled her stories of the Africans most affected with HIV/AIDS and shared it with Eastern students Tuesday.

About 40 students and faculty attended the presentation.

Smith opened with an introduction that described how the series of death in her husband's family affected life at home. After learning about the statistics in Africa, Smith became motivated to visit her husband's homeland and take a first encounter with the people affected by HIV/AIDS.

"AIDS take the people who earn the money and work the fields," Smith said. "They leave the elderly and children behind."

Burkina Faso is the third-poorest country in the world, according to a profile from the United Nations.

"A lot of money gets vacuumed by the president," Smith said. "It is a very impoverished country."

Smith's essay focused on Veronique and her experiences. Veronique was left to take care of four orphans whose parents died of AIDS. Each day she struggled to make a living of a field of millet and other vegetables.

"The disease has a feminine face in Africa," said Penka Skachkova, director of women's studies.

After her presentation, Smith said money and power play a major role in the way HIV and AIDS is handled in countries like Burkina Faso.

"It's very much a disease that affects women," Smith said. "They don't feel they have a lot of power."

Senior finance major Abdoulaye Traore, who is from Ouagadougou, the capital of Burkina Faso, said that although the essay was nice and it was courageous of Smith to live in a poverty-stricken area, he still doesn't want students and the rest of the world to focus on negative attributes.

"I think by being involved in the fight against AIDS it shows to the rest of the world that people are really concerned about the problem," Traore said. "The country needs to show a political willingness to fight the disease."

CAMPUS | SCIENCEFEST

ScienceFest has clean focus

Global warming and its effects on society presented in lectures

Staff Report

John Stimac thinks global warming will ultimately have an impact on the future society.

He said the United States should be proactive in the reduction of pollutants that whither away the ozone layer.

"Rather than wait until the consequences are too severe or beyond a critical threshold, there needs to be discussions and actions taken now," Stimac said.

"Whether the United States acts alone, or in concert with other countries, we should lead by example in reducing global greenhouse gas emissions," he added.

Global warming and its effect on society is the primary focus for this year's ScienceFest.

The event begins with a showing of the Academy Award winning movie by Al Gore, "An Inconvenient Truth," at 7 tonight in the Phipps Auditorium in the Physical Science building.

"ScienceFest is a celebration in the College

of Sciences, showcasing the excellence of our undergraduate and graduate students' research and achievements this past year," Stimac said.

"It is also the time we honor our outstanding faculty for some of their work as teachers and mentors to the students," he said.

After the movie, geology and geography professor Cameron Craig will lead a discussion of the film.

There will also be a panel discussion on the impact of climate change on society at 2 p.m. on Friday in the University Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Stimac described the topic of global warming as flying under the radar until now.

"I feel that the topic has gone unnoticed by the general public for years and that the scientific community has known about this for years," he said.

He hopes that students will remember what they have learned here at Eastern.

"I would hate to think that it will be years before they realize that something that one of their professors back at EIU said 20 years ago is coming true for them and their children," Stimac said.

"One thing to remember about global

warming: We are all part of the solution," he said. "The steps we all need to take are small, but they can add up to significant savings."

Other events of ScienceFest include a Cajun-style banquet followed by a lecture by Daniel Sandweiss, an archaeologist, who will discuss the climate changes and maritime adaptations in Latin America on Thursday at 6 p.m.

Also, there will be a presentation titled "State of the College" by Mary Anne Hanner, dean of the college of sciences, followed by student/faculty awards on Friday at 3:30 p.m.

FAST FACTS

Tips on what to do to help control the climate change:

» Replace the conventional bulbs in the five most frequently used light fixtures in your residence with bulbs that have the Energy Star label.

» Clean air filters regularly and have heating and cooling equipment tuned annually by a licensed contractor. Also, don't forget to recycle.

» Go easy on the brakes and gas pedal. Avoid hard accelerations and reduce time spent idling.

» Try taking public transportation, walking or carpooling.

VIEWS

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COLUMNIST | MAURICE TRACY

Say what?

I confess; the English language is hopelessly inadequate.

Language in general is hopelessly inadequate.

Communication seems to be a never-ending exercise in futility.

When I actually pause and think how often I am misunderstood or how often I misunderstand someone else, I wonder how much I truly understand and hear what other people are trying to say and how much they understand and hear me.

We all talk, write, pick apart each other's grammar and accents.

We debate whether to use "soda" or "pop."

Yet, we rarely communicate with each other.

It seems when it comes to true communication, we assume that the person on the receiving end of our sentence, phrase or paragraph should just know what we mean, feel and think.

We often assume wrong.

Technically, we probably should all slow down and take the time to explain and elaborate what it is we are "trying to say," but the truth is we all are "too busy" and self-involved to spare a moment to listen let alone explain ourselves.

We want everything "microwaved" for us and expect it to have oven roasted flavor.

But that is not how it works.

So what do we do?

We rely on cliché riddled — we don't even try to reinvent the clichés — pop psychology and we talk about "safe" subjects.

We let others sing, write and paint about what we feel and think.

Then, we all trade these common stories, pictures and words and call it language and think that we are communicating with each other.

We lie to ourselves.

We are only approximating what we feel and think.

We rarely concretely and accurately convey what it is that floats about our head.

I propose that we each take a little time this week to actually sit down with someone and concretely convey what it is that we want, desire, need, feel or think, and we don't only discuss the "safe" subjects.

Instead, risk offense and being offended.

Realize that the words coming forth from both you and the other person are really owned by you or him or her.

Thus you are truly communicating and not just talking.

Maurice Tracy



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ourview

Smoking policy needs update

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Tribune, Dr. David Cook, executive at Central DuPage Hospital and president-elect of the Greater Midwest affiliate of the American Heart Association discussed the dangers of secondhand smoke.

"The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that secondhand smoke kills around 46,000 non-smokers from coronary heart disease each year," he said.

Eastern's policy states, "The right of non-smokers to protect their health and comfort shall take precedence over another person's right to smoke."

If this truly is the case, the university should enforce the policy.

If a person is asked to put out a cigarette by a non-smoker, the person is supposed to comply, according to the current policy.

If that person does not comply, the case can be reported to the Office of Judicial Affairs.

If a case were reported to judicial affairs, the person is subject to a fine. First-time violators would face a \$50 fine.

But Robyn Paige, judicial adviser, said she's never had a case reported.

"I do not ever recall any reports coming to our office for a student found smoking in a non-smoking area on campus aside from in a non-smoking residence hall room," she

said.

"I would tend to believe this type of behavior often goes unreported perhaps because people are unaware that there are designated areas or unsure of to whom such a violation should be reported."

If rules can't be effectively enforced, Eastern should ban smoking campuswide.

In response to the Faculty Senate's proposal and the Student Government's recommendation, a committee was to be formed in late December or early January to look at the university's current smoking policy and find ways to change and/or improve the policy.

But the university hasn't addressed the issue yet.

Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs, said the Staff Senate has been engaged in conversations about the smoking policy, but has not reached a point at which they are ready to make a recommendation.

"The committee has been placed on hold until all recommendations are received," he said.

But Eastern should be on top of the issue.

There has been no mention of the proposal or committee the entire semester.

According to the American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation, as of Jan. 12, no Illinois schools were entirely smoke-free. Several colleges have no smoking in residence halls or university buildings.

Eastern should set a precedent and be the first college from Illinois to create a smoke-free campus.

The editorial is the majority opinion of The Daily Eastern News editorial board. Reach the Opinions editor at DENopinions@gmail.com.

GUEST COLUMNIST | DANIEL GIBSON-REINEMER

Fish supply decreasing

(U-Wire) "This is a bad meal because we have no fish."

A friend of mine heard this phrase several times each day while spending a year in the Marshall Islands, a series of islands in the South Pacific surrounded by vast expanses of ocean.

Given the small amount of land available, residents of the islands traditionally relied on fish to provide much of the protein in their diet. So why are they now going without fish? To see the answer first-hand, stop by the seafood counter next time you get groceries.

No problem better exemplifies the phrase "think globally, act locally" than the depletion of the world's fish stocks. The decisions we make at the grocery store and restaurants have direct impacts on the status of fish populations on a global scale.

Fisheries expert Daniel Pauly of the University of British Columbia described the first known example of the problem.

Archaeological evidence from about 90,000 years ago, Pauly said, shows fishers in modern Congo heavily exploited a now-extinct catfish species. "This pattern of fisheries exterminating the population upon which they originally relied, and then moving to other species, has been going on ever since," said Pauly.

Evidence from analysis of global fisheries suggests we've not yet learned the lesson. Simply put, we cannot remove more fish from the seas each year than the populations can replace.

Records of total annual harvest of fish from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations show harvest levels have remained stagnant since the late 1980s. Yet the past two decades have seen unprecedented improvements in the technology used to locate fish and efficiency in capturing them.

Further, we are exploiting populations that have been historically unavailable or undesirable to harvest.

To maintain the levels of production of years past, we have been forced to exploit more remote fish populations — precisely because the harvests of traditional stocks

have not been sustainable.

In 2006, the journal *Science* published an article that predicted a complete collapse of global fish stocks in 2048 if current practices continue. Importantly, the same article noted it is not too late to avoid the predicted collapses.

Fortunately, even people in a landlocked state have the ability to help the status of global fish stocks.

For starters, get a seafood wallet card from the Audubon Society (seafood.audubon.org). This lists popular seafood choices based on their environmental impact and sustainability. By purchasing responsible seafood, we support the fishers who make their living without destroying resources and reduce the economic incentive to fish irresponsibly. In addition to making a statement through your seafood purchases, become informed about issues affecting seafood and let Congress know it's an important issue. For instance, aquaculture provides an increasingly large share of the fish we eat. However, most operations still rely on wild-caught fish to feed the farmed fish, often requiring several pounds of wild fish to be harvested to produce a single pound of farmed fish.

(U.S.-raised tilapia is a safe and tasty alternative to this problem, as tilapia consume a more vegetable-based diet.)

The decisions our government makes today about aquaculture will have a profound impact on the oceans in the 21st century. To read up on the status of ocean fisheries in greater depth, check out the April issue of *National Geographic* magazine.

Residents of the Marshall Islands are going without fish because the increased global demand for seafood and the decline of traditional supplies have pushed fleets into the waters supplying food for the islands.

Ultimately, their problem is ours. What happens in the Marshall Islands today will happen in American markets eventually.

We decide the fate of the ocean's fish with our shopping carts. If we want to enjoy seafood for the next century, we must purchase responsibly today.

FEATURED BLOGGER

"St. Louis Cardinals' manager Tony LaRussa was arrested Thursday for suspicion of drunken driving. Not only is it an embarrassment to LaRussa, his family and the Cardinals organization, it's an embarrassment to each and every Cardinals fan."

SCOTT RICHEY



YOUR TURN | LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hit Mix sounds like everyone else

Hit Mix 88.9 WEIU/FM is now a pathetic joke, a "quasi-commercial" station that holds an actual non-commercial public license.

This is to be expected since control of the Radio/TV Center was moved from the Office of Academic Affairs to the Office of External Relations in the late 1990s.

From that moment on, under the direction of Jill Nilsen, there has been a concerted and now successful attempt to dumb down radio programming, destroying the concept of cultural diversity that was the station's specific mission.

WEIU/FM is now indistinguishable from every other "white" local pop station in this area. It is now free of all "big city" influences that include classical, jazz, blues, world and hip hop music.

Now, when we turn on WEIU/FM, we can repeat the mantra: "It sounds like everyone else. We are like everyone else."

The Pod People up in External Relations have won. We can thank Nilsen for her sterling Pod People leadership style.

Joe Heumann | Communication studies professor

» Elections

FROM PAGE 1

elections, the faculty senate believes that reasonable accommodations, made in timely fashion, were sufficient to ensure a fair and legitimate voting process."

Chat Chatterji, assistant vice president for ITS, said the problem with the software occurred because the voting module encountered problems when some users tried to use it in the Internet Explorer 6 browser.

Updates to both the browser and to the Oracle portal software that was used caused a reaction that would not allow voters to use their voting ballots.

"EIU/IT does not develop or invent any of this stuff," Chatterji said. "It comes from external suppliers, some very well known; for example Oracle and Microsoft in this case. Therefore, I cannot guarantee 100 percent reliability for everything we support and I do not know of anyone in my business who does."

Ashley said he is concerned that management issues and a rearrangement of positions at ITS might have caused some problems with the elections.

CHAT CHATTERJI | ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT FOR ITS

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"We didn't quite understand why a management decision was made to reorganize ITS in such a way that certain people with experience in certain areas were placed outside of their expertise," Ashley said. "If they had somebody that worked on it last year and we had a system that they designed and we knew worked, wouldn't it be easier for everybody to use the same person and the same system?"

The faculty senate executive committee met with President Lou Hencken; Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs; and Jeff Cooley, vice president of business affairs, on Monday to discuss what happened with elections.

They determined that business affairs, the office which controls ITS, should begin an internal and external evaluation process of

management and internal activities.

"We approached this (meeting) in the spirit of problem solving," HaileMariam said.

Just as other entities on campus go through evaluation processes such as student evaluations and academic accreditations, they determined that the office of business affairs should also undergo an internal evaluation.

"Cooley agreed that if other areas within campus are being evaluated, maybe it's a healthy thing to have somebody from the outside look at business affairs," Ashley said. HaileMariam said she was impressed with Cooley's openness during their meeting.

"He was very open in identifying the problems and rectifying them," she said.

The senate expects to announce the results of the election next Tuesday.

» Ruckus

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Ruckus song on an MP3 player they can buy the feature for \$20 per semester.

The University of Illinois, Northern Illinois University and Bradley University all have Ruckus.

Jared Rowcliffe, a resident assistant at McKinney Hall, has tested the program online for Housing and Dining Services for more than a year.

He said since the program has been available on the Eastern server the time required for downloads has decreased significantly.

While it once took about 30 seconds to download an album, it now takes less than 10 seconds, he said.

Rowcliffe has yet to see any problems from a usage standpoint.

"The variety is there and I have found nothing to complain about," he said.

Ruckus partners with all four

JARED ROWCLIFFE | RESIDENT ASSISTANT

"The variety is there and I have found nothing to complain about."

of the major record labels and hundreds of independent labels. If an album comes out at night, students will be able to access it by morning on Ruckus, Opere said.

But it is portable in a sense, said Housing Director Mark Hudson, because students can put the music on their laptops and take it anywhere.

Hudson compared it to a high-tech jukebox.

The on-campus server arrived at Eastern in late fall and was installed by Information Technology Services. The server was ready by the start of the spring semester, but Ruckus was not. Ruckus underwent a change to include advertisements in the program.

The program now features advertisements for other services

and is free to the university.

By having the server on campus the downloads are faster because it cuts down on bandwidth, Hudson said.

The week before spring break, some resident assistants tested the program to see if students could connect to the on-campus server and to see if the server could support the demand. The test passed and the RAs faced little problems so housing decided to give all students a chance to try it out.

"So far every song or group anyone has wanted is there," Hudson said.

Ruckus' features include new music added every week and the ability to post reviews of the music on the server. Students can also create and share their own playlists with friends.

NATION | FILE-SHARING

RIAA dispatches new round of 405 letters to colleges

Students accused of illegal music-sharing

By David Hendricks
The Post (Ohio U.)

(U-WIRE) ATHENS, Ohio — The Recording Industry Association of America sent 405 more pre-litigation settlement letters to 14 colleges nationwide Wednesday, but Ohio University isn't among those schools.

The fallout from the last round of RIAA letters, which accused 50 OU students of sharing music, continues on campus as students and their families struggle to pay a \$3,000 settlement required to avoid a lawsuit.

The deadline for OU students deciding to settle a lawsuit with the RIAA passed last week. The RIAA targeted only students living on campus.

The university forwarded 50 letters identifying students by their Internet provider addresses to 80 students at the end of Winter Quarter. Students sharing a room share an IP address, which increased the number of letters received. Roommates were left to decide if they should settle or go to court, and who should pay how much.

"I can't afford to pay \$750 (for each song)," said Wayne, the father of a freshman who received a pre-litigation settlement letter. Wayne, who asked that his last name be

withheld to protect the identity of his daughter, said that she called him crying after reading the letter.

He criticized the university for not blocking file sharing on its network and the RIAA for making an example of a few students.

"I own one truck outright... and I had to give the title of the truck to my credit union," Wayne said. "That's the only way I could (pay the settlement)."

Moving on was the primary concern for Judy Kern, who said she spent days researching file-sharing litigation and spoke with five attorneys before deciding to settle. Kern's daughter, an OU sophomore, was the recipient of a pre-litigation settlement letter.

"I don't think (file-sharers) truly understand the position they're putting themselves in," Kern said. "(The RIAA) is ruthless; they just don't care."

The university was in a difficult situation, but made the right choice when it forwarded letters to students, Kern said.

Danny Felkner, a freshman music education major, was in Florida when the RIAA sent letters to his home and his dorm room. He decided to settle and will pay \$3,250 over six months.

"I really don't know how I'm going to pay for college," Felkner said.

Four days after the RIAA's letters arrived at OU, the university decided to forward its letters to students, allowing them to choose to settle or prepare for a lawsuit.

» Fees

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An even larger increase would have to be required if the debt was to be eliminated in one year, she said.

Student Insurance is also looking for a fee increase because of rising healthcare costs, said Lennie Heddins, Eastern's medical insurance specialist.

She said the increase was necessary to continue to provide

the plan to students.

"It is the only optional fee," she said. "Students can elect to waive it if they have equal or greater coverage."

In other business, a \$1 per credit hour increase in the textbook rental fee will be voted on.

According to Student Senate Speaker Jeff Lange, there has been a lot of positive reaction to the proposal.

"From what I can tell we'll see some discussion, but people are for it in the long run," Lange said.

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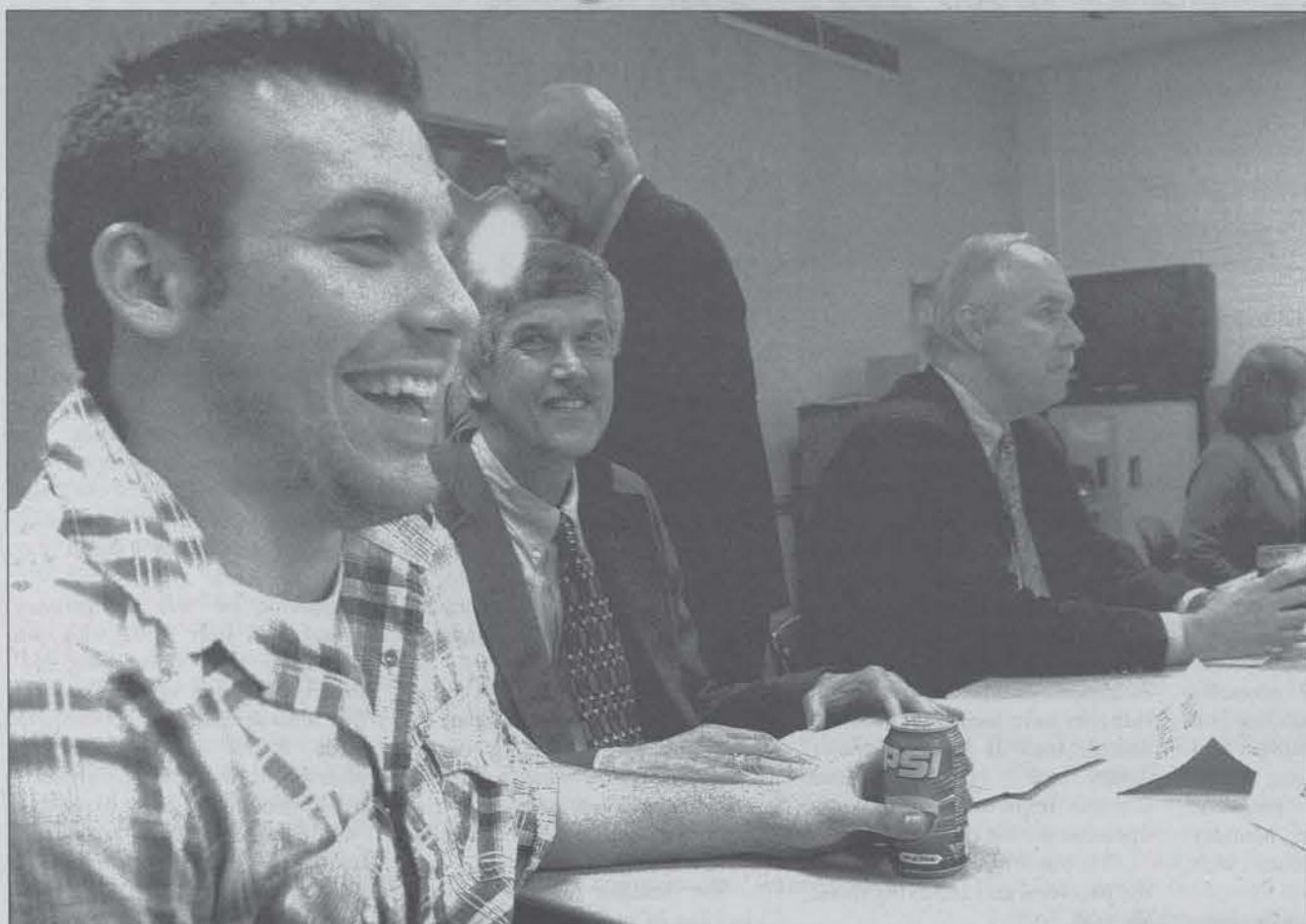
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Evaluating the candidates



JAY GRABIEC | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Student body President Sean Anderson jokes with English professor David Radavich and other members of the Board of Trustees before getting down to business in the Martinsville Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union on Tuesday afternoon.

According to Dr. Robert Webb, chair of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee and vice chair of the BOT, the presidential search committee and the BOT met to discuss the 500 evaluations of presidential candidates submitted by members of the campus community.

The three candidates for Eastern's new president were interviewed last week.

William Perry, vice provost at Texas A & M University in College Station, Texas, visited Eastern's campus on March 18 and 19.

Eastern Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Blair Lord, was interviewed March 20 and 21.

Sue Kiefer Hammersmith, provost and vice chancellor for Academic Affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay visited Eastern on March 22 and 23.

The evaluations that were submitted were discussed at the Board of Trustees meeting, which was closed to the public.

A decision for Eastern's new president can be expected later this week or early next week.

CAMPUS | RELAY FOR LIFE

Colleges Against Cancer to help with local event

College program aids in finding a cure

By Beth Hackett

Senior Activities Reporter

Matt Thompson does not want to see anyone go through what he did.

When he was in high school, Thompson lost his father to cancer.

His experience inspired him to join Colleges Against Cancer, where he is now the president.

"I want to inform people on how to prevent cancer and try to end this terrible disease," Thompson said.

As president, he said he tries to get the group involved with as much as possible.

CAC aims to eliminate cancer while providing and supporting American Cancer Society programs

on college campuses.

The group attends regional summits, speaks to Charleston Middle School students about smoking and cancer awareness, and attends an annual health fair.

Each year, CAC participates in Relay for Life and this year it will take place at 6 p.m. Friday at the Campus Pond.

Lisa Amacher, ACS and CAC member, said the college program began in 2001 by three Chicago area teens who had been indirectly affected by cancer.

Amacher said the first chapters were at the University of Illinois and Northern Illinois University, and Eastern joined in 2004.

"Teams can do everything they need to do for ACS events online including signing up, creating personal pages, donating and posting or reading bulletins," she said.

RELAY FOR LIFE

» **When:** 6 p.m. Friday to 6 a.m. Saturday

» **Where:** The Panther Trail

» **Donation:** \$25 per team

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» **Deadline for registration:** Friday

To email the Eastern CAC chapter:
eiucaac@yahoo.com.

Information about cancer is available at the HERC office or at www.acs.org.

Pat Miller of the American Cancer Society said she decided to work with programs aiming to eliminate cancer after her brother passed away from colon cancer.

"We have so many activities

throughout each year which raise money for cancer patients and it is really just a great cause," she said.

People can get involved and work with CAC to help fight cancer through grassroots advocacy, prevention and early detection education, Relay For Life, and activities honoring cancer survivors.

The entire program is designed to allow students, faculty and staff to work through many different channels to eliminate cancer. Each college involved with the program has a local office to help support and guide the students and events.

"It is an amazing support system to be involved with," Amacher said. Amacher is the local ACS official for Eastern.

She said she had not realized what ACS and Relay for Life had done for cancer patients, and she encouraged everyone to be a part of

the group.

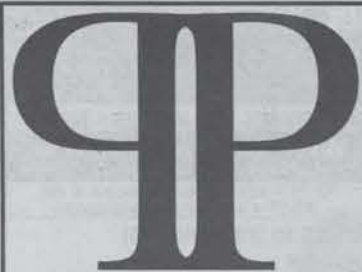
The money raised at the ACS functions goes toward advocacy, research, each individual event, rides for patients, treatment, wigs, support groups and the Senate Bill 500.

If passed, this bill will require Illinois to be smoke-free; therefore, ACS will be donating to the cause.

Miller said it is extremely easy to sign up as a volunteer, and most people who volunteer and participate with each event come back every year.

There is no cost or initiation to become a member of CAC.

"You just have to come to the meetings with an open mind and the same goal of wanting to cure cancer that the rest of us have," Thompson said. "We are all here for the same reason, and that is because cancer has touched our lives in one way or another."



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Appliance man charged with seven murders

Police solve baffling case after 14 years

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — The victims all were shot. Some were stabbed. Their bodies were found in a walk-in freezer and a cooler.

The execution-style murders of seven people at Brown's Chicken & Pasta restaurant in Palatine on Jan. 8, 1993 made national headlines and spooked residents of the Chicago suburb, leaving them to wonder who was responsible and whether the culprit or culprits would strike again.

Beginning Wednesday, a suburban appliance installer with no history of criminal violence will stand trial for the grisly murders, more than 14 years after the crime stunned residents and baffled veteran sleuths.

Juan Luna was just 18 when he and a friend allegedly walked into the restaurant at closing time and carried out the killings during a robbery that netted less than \$2,000, prosecutors said.

Killed were restaurant owners Richard and Lynn Ehlenfeldt, and employees Michael Castro, 16, Guadalupe Maldonado, 46, Thomas Mennes, 32, Marcus Nelsen, 31, and Rico Solis, 17.

Palatine Mayor Rita Mullins said the brutal crime changed the close-knit suburb.

"There were many parents that did not allow their children to have after-school or summer jobs because there were two children involved," said Mullins, a long time resident who was serving her first term in 1993. "It was the loss of innocence for the community."

Forgiveness



ANTONIO PEREZ | CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Sue Pilgreen holds a portrait of her 21-year-old son Jerod at her Poplar Grove, Illinois home on March 16, 2007. Jerod and three others were killed March 10 in a North Side fire allegedly started by a homeless woman. Pilgreen says she has forgiven the woman.

STATE | TRAGEDY

Boy was prepared for heaven

Woman loses three generations of family

The Associated Press

PEORIA, Ill. — A woman who lost her son, father and brother in a boating accident this month said Monday that she draws strength from their memories and their faith.

Erica Hunter said goodbye to her 8-year-old son Kalin on Monday, whose body was recovered from Clinton Lake following an eight-day search.

Hunter said she had talked to her son about heaven after he underwent surgery in December for

a rare disorder that caused tumors to grow on his leg.

When he was told there was no pain or medical appointments in heaven, and that he could play basketball all the time, she said he told her he couldn't wait to go.

"I had to tell him, 'Slow down I'm not ready for you to go now'" Hunter said at a news conference after a memorial service.

Hunter said she will now try to live her life with the same zest and energy as her son who had made his school's basketball team the day before the accident.

"I have to live for him, that's what he would want us to do," Hunter said in her first public comments since the accident.

The third-grader was among three generations of his family who died on March 14 when their 17-foot aluminum fishing boat apparently ran out of gas during a rainstorm and was swept over a spillway at the central Illinois lake.

The bodies of his grandfather Richard Hunter and uncle Jason Hunter were recovered the next day.

The boy's body was found on Thursday, just hours after his grandfather and uncle were buried. It was recovered from Salt Creek, below the 25-foot spillway and about 160 yards south of where the adults' bodies were found. Authorities said swift underwater currents made the recovery effort difficult.

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The Associated Press

Hyde donates archives to

Chicago's Loyola University

» CHICAGO — Retired U.S. Rep. Henry Hyde will donate a massive collection of political memorabilia to Chicago's Loyola University, his alma mater, officials said.

Amassed during a 16-term congressional career, the 82-year-old Republican's collection includes volumes of letters, hundreds of speeches, a gavel and the brown leather chair he sat in while presiding over impeachment hearings against President Bill Clinton.

"In 32 years in office as a congressman, you acquire tons of paper, little bric-a-brac that people give you," Hyde told the Chicago Tribune. "I would hate to throw it all away, but I had no place for it."

In all, there's more than 200 boxes and about 30 leather scrapbooks filled with decades of newspaper clippings, invitations and mail.

Police: no arrests made in

Danville shooting case

» DANVILLE — Police said they had leads but had made no arrests Monday in the weekend shooting deaths of three people at a duplex next door to a Danville fire station.

"The detective group is working on some leads, but that's all we have right now," police and fire spokesman Larry Thomason said of the Sunday shootings.

Vermilion County Coroner Peggy Johnson on Monday identified two of the victims as 30-year-old Rodney Pepper and 19-year-old Madisen Leverenz, both of Danville.

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Level: 1 2 3 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.

Solution to Tuesday's puzzle

2	5	9	8	4	1	3	6	7
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9	2	8	5	3	7	6	4	1
4	8	6	2	7	5	1	3	9
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3	9	2	4	1	8	7	5	6

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mollyclutter AROUND THE TRACK

Not every trip you take will go according to plan.

Nothing sucks more than being on a bus for three to four days and living from hotel to hotel and once it's time to go home, your bus breaks down.

Not only does it break down, but it breaks down hours away from home.

It seems like this has occurred more than once.

I remember the trip to Knoxville, Tenn., my freshman year of rugby.

First off, once we arrived there it is pouring rain.

Then the field we play on is nothing but a mud pit.

Now after the game all we want to do is to just get on the bus and head for home.

One problem: Our bus broke down just as we got into Kentucky.

We had to wait for the fire department to come and then wait for a school bus to take us to a hotel.

We were supposed to get home at 2 a.m. Saturday; we

didn't get back till 2 p.m. Saturday.

The track team just went on a spring break trip to Georgia. Their bus ran out of gas several times and stalled once or twice.

Sunday, the softball team's bus caught on fire while they were nine hours away from home.

Nothing puts a damper on a trip than not getting home on time.

So what does this tell us? We need to switch to a new



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bus company?

Or maybe the bus company needs new buses?

Only they know.

What we know is this: when you are going on a long trip, don't make plans for when you come back because it might take longer than expected.

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The New York Times Crossword

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No. 0214

- ACROSS**
- Own (up to)
 - Freezes
 - Hardly racy
 - Chichi
 - Old Intellivision rival
 - Bator
 - Hoedown site
 - Recoiled
 - Place for studs
 - Hurricanes or Lightning
 - Suggest, as a price
 - Zip
 - Ship sent for breadfruit in 1787
 - Blasts of the past
 - "Out of the question"
 - Links obstacle
 - Valentine and others: Abbr.
 - Periodic table abbr.
 - Actor Kilmer
 - Ball (arcade game)
 - Royale of old autodom
 - Device patented by Thomas Savery in 1698
 - Sharp-witted
 - You can take it with you
 - Pierce with a point
 - Horned Frogs' sch.
 - Opposite of great, to Burns
 - Put more pressure (on) ... or a title for this puzzle?
 - Stuck, after "in"
 - Turner autobiography
 - "The Naked Maja" artist
 - Turner who was called the Sweater Girl
 - Off
 - Their milk is used to make Roquefort
 - Corrida cries
 - All in
 - Completely lose patience
- DOWN**
- Terrif
 - Part of B.C.E.
 - Full-count cry
 - Harmony
 - Contents of some hookahs
 - Playwright Fugard
 - Of the flock
 - All-day hike
 - Court conference
 - Expression of annoyance
 - U.F.O. pilot
 - Charlotte Corday's victim
 - Other side
 - 'acte
 - In the distance, poetically
 - Egypt's Sadat
 - Cabinet department
 - Spot for a scene
 - Walton, author of "The Compleat Angler"
 - Like the eye of a hurricane
 - Picasso's "Colombe" fleurs
 - Takes a powder
 - Pre-noon time

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Puzzle by Paula Gamache

- "Ciao"
- Police rank: Abbr.
- Original Enterprise navigator
- Cravat adornments
- Captivate
- Modern, to Mahler
- "The Spirit of Australia" sloganeer
- Author Calvino
- Diego Rivera work
- Snip what's superfluous
- Mortise's mate
- Sunroof alternative
- "The Report," 1976 best seller
- Matures
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Team endures long trip home

By Matt Daniels
Sports Editor

Eastern arrived back in Charleston at 5 a.m. Monday morning from its longer than anticipated trip home from Samford after the Panthers' 2-0 win on Sunday.

The Panthers' bus blew out one of its rear tires shortly after leaving Birmingham, Ala., early Sunday night.

A small fire broke out underneath the bus, causing the team to evacuate the bus and be stranded on the side of Interstate 65 about 30 miles from Birmingham.

The team was on the side of the highway for about an hour.

No players were hurt and no equipment was damaged.

"I was kind of like is this really happening?" junior pitcher Karyn Mackie said. "But it was good to have a win under our belt. It might have made it 10 times worse."

Team gets help from Murray

The Panthers received help from the Murray State baseball team while waiting on the side of the interstate.

Eastern junior catcher Allyson Nolte text messaged her boyfriend,

Murray State outfielder Matt Scheer, to tell him about the situation.

Scheer informed one of Murray State's athletic trainers, who then told Thoroughbreds head coach Rob McDonald.

Murray State's bus was about 10 miles behind Eastern's, and McDonald made the decision to help.

Eastern players boarded Murray's bus and drove the Panthers to a truck stop a few miles up the interstate, where they waited for another bus.

"Coach McDonald offered to take us all the way to Murray actually or as far as we wanted," said Eastern head coach Kim Schuette.

Schuette said the team arrived at the truck stop and waited in the truck stop's restaurant for three hours.

Another bus was found, and the Panthers left the truck stop at 9:45 p.m.

The team switched buses again when they arrived in Kentucky, said volunteer assistant coach Jason Dorey.

"It was an adventure," senior shortstop Chelsea Adams said. "It was just one of those things that was surreal. You didn't know if that

really happened."

Adams looks to end funk

Adams' name is scattered throughout Eastern's record books when it comes to hitting.

But the shortstop has not produced offensively so far this year like she has in the past.

The senior and four-year starter is only hitting .208 with one home run and three RBIs this year.

Adams went 2-for-3 with an RBI in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader against Samford.

Last year, Adams, a career .261 hitter coming into this year, hit seven home runs and had 23 RBIs to go along with a .253 average.

"I think I'm thinking too much," Adams said. "I'm trying just to relax and remember how I felt when I was hitting well."

Schuette said she is not worried about Adams' offensive struggles.

"We've changed a little bit in Chelsea's mechanics to make her a little bit more consistent," she said. "And the past couple games, I bet her batting average is probably .400 if you take out the first month. Chelsea will be fine. She's a competitor and a senior and has been through a lot. We're just trying to get her confidence back."

Coppert settling in at leadoff

Sophomore second baseman Sarah Coppert has hit from the leadoff spot the last five games for Eastern.

Coppert is the sixth different player Schuette has used this year as the leadoff hitter.

Schuette said Coppert does a good job of putting the ball in play and can hit with power.

Coppert is second on the team in RBIs (14).

"She works the count when she needs to and she's aggressive when she's told to," Schuette said.

"She kind of sets the tempo for the game. That's why I put her there."

Team to play more at home

Eastern has played 24 of its 25 games on the road so far this year.

Those numbers will not be so high with the Panthers embarking on a stretch of home games this week.

The Panthers host Saint Louis in a doubleheader today, and then host Tennessee State in a three-game series this weekend.

Of the Panthers' 32 regular season games left, 22 will be played at home.

» Baseball

FROM PAGE 12

"It's good to get out there and do well for a change," Vaculik said. "Previously, I'd pitch like one good inning and then the next inning I'd go out there and not do so well."

Vaculik's only potential opportunity for disaster was in the fourth, when SLU had runners on first and second and one out.

But Vaculik got the next two hitters out by forcing groundballs.

"I think the key was, not only the lack of walks, but also location," Schmitz said of Vaculik's start.

"He didn't shake me off. He just went with what we wanted to do. None of our guys throw that hard and you better locate and he did."

Senior Mike Budde threw the next two innings, allowing the lone Billiken run.

Sophomore Brian Morrell followed Budde and only gave up one hit in his three innings of relief.

The Panthers added four more runs in the sixth, and did so again despite only having two hits. Two SLU errors in the inning allowed Eastern to score two of its runs.

The Panthers tacked on the other two via a balk by SLU reliever Eric Mueller and a wild pitch by Mueller.

Eastern gets back into action today when it travels to Terre Haute, Ind., to take on Indiana State. Sophomore lefthander Tyler Kehrler is expected to start.

Eastern 9, Saint Louis 1

Inning by Inning	R	H	E
SLU	0	0	0
EIU	4	0	0

WP: Vaculik, Chris (1-4) LP: Bratcher, Blake (0-1)

E: Pinnell, Tom, Bennett, Ryan, Rodgers, Greg, Watson, L.J. - SLU DP: SLU 1, LOB - EIU 11; SLU 5, 2B - Pinnell - SLU; Krecke, Jordan - EIU HBP Varrasi, Adam - EIU, SF; Varrasi - EIU, SB - Bennett - SLU, CS - Moore - EIU.

Key Inning: Bottom of the First
Eastern scored four runs and can thank SLU starter Blake Bratcher for most of them. Bratcher forced in three runs with his three first-inning walks. The Panthers scored their other run because of an error by SLU center fielder L.J. Watson.

UPCOMING GAMES

- » Today: at Indiana State
- » Saturday: Doubleheader at Tenn-Martin
- » Sunday: at Tenn-Martin

» Shoes

FROM PAGE 12

Control shoes have a dense material on one side of the shoe to help correct a runner that rolls in on his foot while running. There is also a cushion training shoe that has a soft insole and midsole.

Cushion trainers are meant for more neutral runners who run on the balls of their feet.

Akers said cushion trainers feel good and runners like to wear them but may not be the best option for runners who aren't neutral runners.

The third kind of training shoe is a simple, basic neutral shoe.

Akers said one problem with training shoes is they wear out faster than competition shoes.

"There's a shoe on the market

now that's only supposed to be worn for a certain number of miles," Akers said.

Distance coach Geoff Masanet said athletes should not run in their shoes for more than 500 miles. Getting new shoes after 400 miles is preferred.

"Ultimately it stops serving its purpose of support and is a recipe to get injured," Masanet said.

Akers said the cushion in the shoes could often deteriorate before the shoe really looks worn.

Competition shoes differ from training shoes because they are event specific and are not used as frequently as training shoes, Masanet said.

Thrower's Shoes

Hogue said the main difference between the shoes he wears as a thrower's and a runner's shoes is

the placement of spikes and ankle support.

"For a thrower's shoe," he said, "it's more supportive like a tennis shoe."

Hogue's javelin boots, unlike runner's shoes, have large spikes on the heel.

The spikes on the left heel of the boots gives more support when he plants his foot to throw.

Hogue's shoes for shot put and discus differ from runner's shoes because they have no spikes.

He said more surface contact with less grip and drag allow him to spin faster.

Jumper's Shoes

Sophomore Jenna Uhe, who competes in both the long jump and triple jump, has a different pair of shoes for each event.

Uhe said her long jump shoes

have less cushion and longer spikes than her sprint shoes.

Her triple jump shoes have more cushion in the heel to promote flat-footed running and jumping.

"For the long jump and triple jump compared to sprints, you have a shorter distance to build up speed," Uhe said. "With spikes, you can pick up speed a little faster."

Runner's Shoes

Senior distance runner Dave Carlson said he looks mainly for comfort. He said he also prefers lighter distance shoes.

"Some heavier shoes don't let the foot land naturally as it should," Carlson said. "This affects your stride, and you could get injured."

Carlson said he regularly wears one pair of spikes for every race because they provide better traction and have a wider base.

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Eastern's bench watches their team during Eastern's win against Indiana State University at William's Field last Wednesday afternoon. The Panthers took one of three from Samford this past weekend at Samford.

SOFTBALL | VS. SAINT LOUIS

Running for wins

Softball players rely on rocker step to steal

By Kevin Kenealy
Online Interactive Editor

Softball head coach Kim Schuette wants her team to be more efficient on the base paths.

The girls have stolen 23 bases on 32 attempts in 25 games.

Their opponents have stolen 20 bases on 31 attempts.

But for Schuette, she isn't satisfied.

"You have to get on base to steal, and we don't have the best batting averages right now," she said.

Junior Robyn Mackie is the Panther with the best batting average (.319), while three other players on the team have an average of over .280.

That combination has yielded a record that's 10-15 and 1-5 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Unlike baseball where leadoffs

are essential to the stolen base, the rocker step is emphasized here.

Schuette drew an imaginary base in the ground and explained the rocker step is when a player tries to generate momentum and push off the base by trying to "rock" into it.

"You have to time it so the last foot is leaving the base as the pitcher is releasing the ball," Schuette explained as she demonstrated.

Rarely are players given the green light.

However, as Schuette said, it is more of a coach's decision to send the runner based upon the play of the middle infield.

"You're stealing off three people; the catcher, for the strength of her arm and how quickly she gets rid of it, the shortstop/second baseman," Schuette said.

"If the shortstop looks like she's sleeping or is really far from the bag we steal on them, and then on the mindset on the pitcher. If (the pitches are) wild, we'll steal on them," said Schuette.

One who does steal is sophomore second baseman Sarah Coppert, who is tied for second on the team

with the most steals.

"Our bases are a lot shorter than baseball so if we lead off, we'd be halfway there probably and we get to leave halfway as she's releasing the ball," Coppert said.

Freshman Megan Nelson is 6 for 6 in stolen bases and agreed with Schuette the positioning of the shortstop is probably the biggest thing in deciding to steal a base.

Although Schuette said she doesn't specifically practice base running every practice, Schuette said she wants to try more small things as the year goes on such as the hit and run.

She also wants to put pressure on the defense with the slaphitting from Brackett, freshman Megan Nelson and sophomore Angela Danca.

The Panthers will try to get the footwork going in a doubleheader against Saint Louis at 3 p.m. today at Williams Field.

"We have a lot of speed on this team; I think it's just a matter of time before we can just start running the bases more," Nelson said.

GOLF | NOTEBOOK

Golf teams post top 10 finishes

By Israel Carrillo
Staff Reporter

The men and women have been pretty close to the top of the field in almost every outing, head coach Mike Moncel said.

Senior Chelsea Bach, an Illinois State transfer, said the Panthers have had seven top-10 finishes and of the seven, five have been top-five finishes.

Bach has never won at a tournament in her collegiate career but said she feels "there is no reason for us not to win."

Bach said the women's team is progressing and starting to peak at the right time.

"A lot of credit goes to our coach," Bach said.

Panthers gear up for Ohio Valley Conference tournament

The Panthers have a real shot to win the conference tournament if they play well, Moncel said.

On the men's side, the Panthers will have a leader in senior Anthony Imburgia, who said the tournament will feature two of the toughest teams in conference, which includes Eastern Kentucky and Tennessee Tech.

"We're looking for a strong finish," Imburgia said.

Imburgia is averaging a 74.8 stroke average.

"If you play bad, you're gonna get run over," Moncel said about competing at conference.

Junior Jaron Rose said he believes that if Anthony, junior Mike Imburgia and himself click, they can have a chance to win the OVC tournament.

Eastern gets chance to qualify for conference tourney

The women's team will have a chance to improve its game at the Illini Invitational at the Stone Creek Golf Course before the OVC tournament.

The men's team will compete at the Missouri State Invitational and the Tennessee State Invitational before heading to Paducah, Ky., to battle for the OVC title.

The Panthers will play a qualifying tournament to see who will compete at the OVC tournament. The qualifying tournament will be played during practice in the next few weeks.

Senior garners honors from OVC and Kauai Collegiate Cup

Anthony won the Kauai Collegiate Cup and the Ohio Valley Conference named the male golfer of the week. During spring break, Imburgia won at Princeville, Hawaii, and is performing up to coach Moncel's standards.

"We have been expecting that from him," Moncel said. "Anthony has been showing me leadership my whole life. Winning that tournament is something to look up to."

"Anthony winning was a boost for us all," Rose said.

Anthony said he was excited to be recognized for his play and was pleased with his teammate's comments.



Chelsea Bach

Bach has led the team at two of the three tournaments this year.

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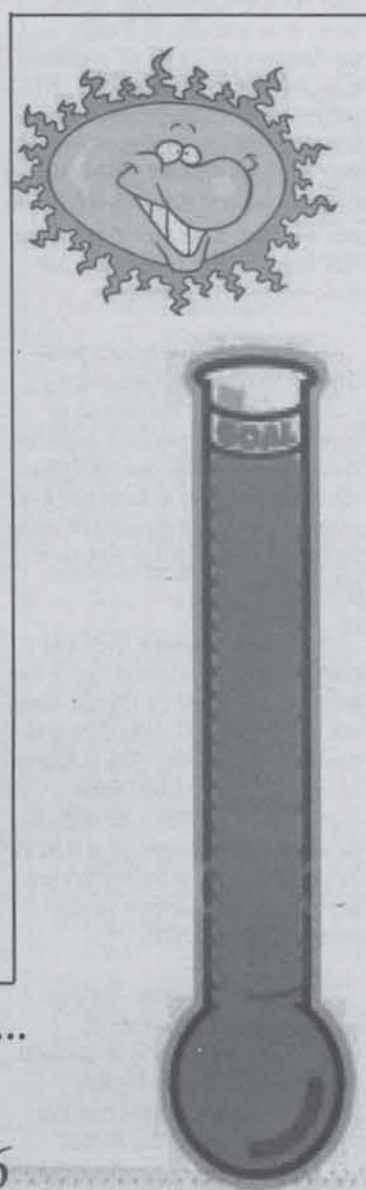
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TODAY at IUPUI |

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS

SATURDAY at Tennessee-Tech |

11 a.m. Cookeville, Tenn.

BASEBALL

SATURDAY at Tennessee-Martin |

Doubleheader 1 p.m. Martin, Tenn.

SOFTBALL

SATURDAY vs. Tennessee State |

Doubleheader 1 p.m. Williams Field

MEN'S GOLF

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All day Branson, Mo.

SOFTBALL

SUNDAY vs. Tennessee State |

Noon Williams Field

MEN'S TENNIS

SUNDAY at Tennessee State |

Noon Nashville, Tenn.

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Softball relies on the speed of the game including the hitter and the base runner. The 60-foot paths from base to base in the game allow for less error and efficient throwing of the softball.

Freshman Megan Nelson (above) uses her speed and has six stolen bases in six attempts. As a team, the Panthers are 23 for 32 in stolen base attempts this season, or a .719 percentage of stealing bases. Eastern is tied for fifth with Tennessee Tech in the Ohio Valley Conference for stolen bases. Samford is the conference leader with 44 stolen bases. These teams use their speed to steal bases. Here are three examples of speediness.

1. Cheetahs- These black polka-dotted felines are the fastest land mammal. A cheetah can race up to speeds of 70 miles per hour. According to nationalgeographic.com, cheetahs can chase their prey at about half that speed. If there were cheetahs rounding the bases, they would run over each player as well.

2. Michael Johnson- The Baylor grad was one of the fastest men in the world. He dominated the Olympic scene with a win in the 200-meter dash and the 400-meter dash in 1996 in Atlanta. Johnson was also the 400-meter champion and also was a member of the winning 4x400-meter relay team in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney. Johnson was also a world champion various times in 1995 and 2000.

3. Speedy Gonzales- Gonzales always escaped the clutches of Sylvester, the black and white pussycat. Hanna-Barbera created the little cartoon mouse with a sombrero that screamed, "Arriba! Arriba! Arriba!"

-Kevin Murphy

BASEBALL | EASTERN 9, SAINT LOUIS 1

SLU errors help Panthers win

Six of the nine Eastern runs were unearned

By Matt Daniels
Sports Editor

Walks, wild pitches, balks and errors.

These are mistakes all baseball teams try to avoid.

Saint Louis couldn't avoid them Tuesday against Eastern.

The Panthers capitalized on SLU's blunders on their way to a 9-1 non-conference win at Coaches Stadium.

Eastern scored four runs in the first inning on only two hits. And the two hits didn't even drive in runs.

Eastern centerfielder Brett Nommensen led off the game by hitting a groundball to second.

Billiken second baseman Tom Pinnell fielded the ball cleanly, but threw it away, which allowed Nommensen to reach.

Eastern second baseman Jordan Kreke lined a single into left field, and first baseman Erik Huber reached on an infield single.

Then the multitude of walks allowed by SLU starting pitcher Blake Bratcher began.

Bratcher, normally an outfielder, made his first pitching appearance of the year, walked three batters in the first inning, forcing in a run each time.

"Nothing against that pitcher, but he just wasn't good enough to get us out with the pitches unless we swung at bad pitches out of

the zone," said Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz.

The Panthers displayed patience against Bratcher, who threw 45 pitches in the first inning. Of the 45 pitches, 24 were balls.

"He was all over the place," said Ryan Campbell, Eastern's third baseman who walked in his second plate appearance against Bratcher and finished 2-for-4 with an RBI. "It was kind of tough to get a feel for him if he was going to throw a strike."

Bratcher's defense faltered behind him also in the first inning.

Eastern shortstop Adam Varrassi hit a fly ball in the gap between left field and center field.

SLU centerfielder L.J. Watson ran over to catch the ball, but the ball popped out of his glove when he attempted to make the catch.

Watson's error brought in Eastern's Mike Astrouski, who reached via a walk.

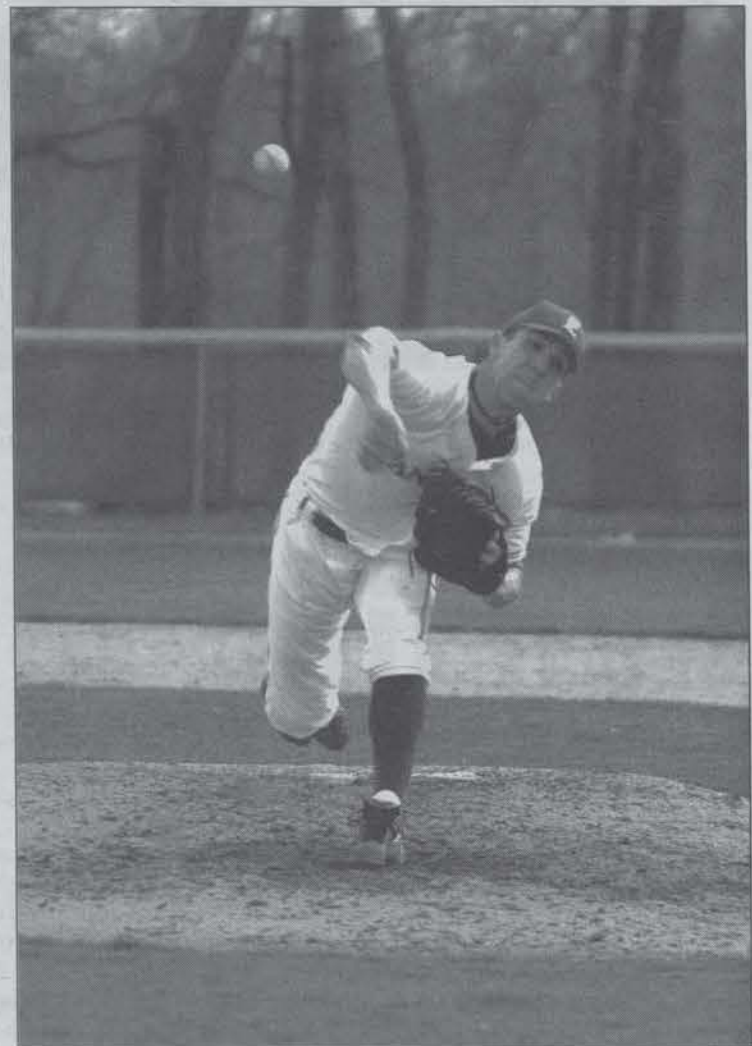
"Getting up early was huge because then we could kind of relax and settle in and that's what happened today," Campbell said.

While Bratcher struggled and only lasted 1 2/3 innings, Panther Chris Vaculik excelled.

Vaculik had struggled all year, saying he needed a productive outing to get his confidence back.

He came into Tuesday's game with a 12.75 ERA in 10 relief appearances.

But Vaculik, who made his first start of the year, was effective



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Senior pitcher Chris Vaculik pitched four shutout innings during Tuesday afternoon's baseball game at Coaches Stadium against Saint Louis University. Eastern improves to 8-11 with this win.

in his four innings of work.

The senior allowed three hits and did not give up a run.

He also struck out three, did

not issue a walk and lowered his ERA to 9.56.

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TRACK | TYPES OF SHOES



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Track and field is off and running and that means the closet doors are open as both the men and women try to find their "track or field" shoes that they have stored away during the winter.

Many shoe options for track & field

Athletes' footwear options vary by event

By Scott Richey
Online News Editor

Senior thrower Austin Hogue has worn the same pair of javelin boots for the past three years.

The toe is almost worn through,

but the boots are still usable.

To wear the same pair of shoes in track and field so long is against the norm, but Hogue said there is one reason he's worn his since his sophomore year.

"It's hard to find a size 16 javelin shoe," he said.

Hogue said he has different shoes to compete in his other

throwing events, the shot put and discus. Members of Eastern's men's basketball team wear a team shoe.

Eastern baseball players wear Nike cleats for the most part, with some preferring Reebok, but baseball cleats, regardless of brand, are very similar. The same cannot be said for track and field shoes.

Training Shoes vs. Competition Shoes

Head track coach Tom Akers said there are differences not only between training shoes and competition shoes but also among the different types of training shoes as well.

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